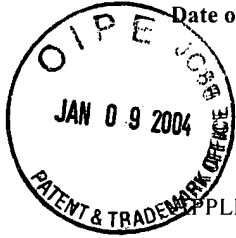


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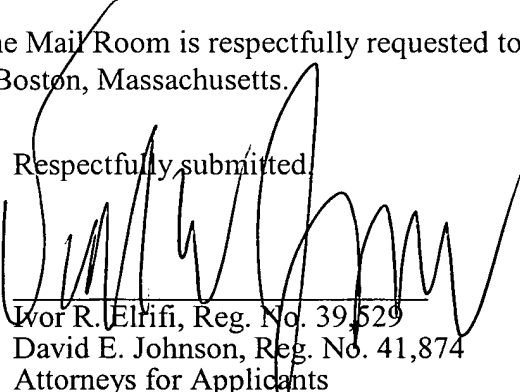
Transmitted herewith for filing in the present application are the following documents:

1. Response to September 9, 2003 Office Action (2 pgs);
2. Petition for Extension of Time (1 pg);
3. Check No. 17839 in the amount of \$950.00 to cover extension fee; and,
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Applicants believe that no fees are due in connection with this submission. However, the Commissioner is authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any deficiencies to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 22058-568 DIV1ACON. A duplicate copy of this Transmittal Letter is enclosed.

If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned collect at (617) 542-6000, Boston, Massachusetts.

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